evidence of the general character of the defendant, and declaring an emergency,'

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

CONNER, Chairman.

Committee Room. Austin, Texas, January 23, 1913.

Hon. Will H. Mayes, President of the Senate.

Your Judiciary Committee No.

2, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 68, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3690, Chapter 4, Title 53, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1911, so as to include 'devisees or legatees' among the class of persons prohibited from testifying in actions by or against executors, administrators of guardians in which judgment may be rendered for or against them as such, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

CONNER, Chairman.

Committee Room. Austin, Texas, January 23, 1913.

Hon. Will H. Mayes, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No.

2, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 71, A bill to be entitled "An Act making it unlawful for a Senator or Representative-elect, to receive employment, fees, gifts, loans or compensation as officer, agent, representative or attorney from certain corporations or persons and prescribing penalties therefor, and creating an emergency,'

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass with the follow-

ing amendment:

Amend by inserting the words "or opposing" in the last line of Section 1 following the word "seeking."

CONNER, Chairman.

(By Unanimous Consent.)

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, January 23, 1913.

Hon. Will H. Mayes, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

"An Act to make an appropriation for one Cashier for the Secretary of State for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1913, prescribing the duties of said Cashier, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

LATTIMORE, Acting Chairman.

NINTH DAY.

Senate Chamber, Austin, Texas, Friday, January 24, 1913.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Will H. Mayes.

Roll call, a quorum was present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Astin Morrow. Bailey. Murray. Brelsford. Nugent. Carter. Paulus. Collins. Real. Conner. Taylor. Çowell. Terrell. Darwin. Townsend. Gibson. Vaughan. Greer. Warren. Hudspeth. Watson. Johnson. Weinert. Kauffman. Westbrook. Wiley. Lattimore. McGregor. Willacy. McNealus.

.Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. H. M. Sears.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator Terrell.

(See appendix for petitions and memorials and standing committee ports.)

REPORT OF CODIFYING COMMIS-SION.

The Chair had the following report read to the Senate:

To the Governor and Members of the Thirty-third Legislature, in Regular Session, Austin, Texas.

Gentlemen: The undersigned commissioners appointed by the act of March 11, 1911, to complete the work on the civil and criminal codes, adopted on the Senate bill No. 89, A bill to be entitled same day, respectfully represent:

That said work, revised, codified, annotated and indexed, will be ready for printing and the commissioners ready to supervise the printing thereof—as required by said act—as soon as the appropriation is made to meet the expense of said printing and supervision.

We, therefore, respectfully ask that such appropriation be made. It is important that the appropriation be made and take effect at once; as the bar, officials, and people of the State are needing and demanding the publication of the work.

R. B. Minor, one of the commissioners, having been elected to the bench, retired from the commission on January 1, 1913, and for that reason does not join in this report. Under the general law, however (Revised Statutes, Article 5502, Section 5) the undersigned are empowered to act and complete the duties of the commission.

Respectfully submitted. J. G. DUDLEY, H. G. ROBERTSON, Commissioners.

SIMPLE RESOLUTION.

By Senator Westbrook:

Whereas, a terrible calamity of wreck, fire and death has befallen the city of McKinney, in the Fifth Senatorial District, as shown by newspaper reports of today: therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate of Texas sympathizes with the stricken community and suggests such State aid as may be permissible, under the laws of the State, should such aid be desired.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the Mayor of

McKinney.

Westbrook, McNealus, Warren, Greer, Townsend, Vaughan, Hudspeth, Watson, Carter, Brelsford, McGregor, Murray, Gibson, Weinert, Morrow, Wiley, Astin, Real, Terrell, Willacy, Conner, Cowell, Lattimore, Taylor, Bailey, Nugent, Darwin, Johnson.

The resolution was read and unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Senator Terrell:

Senate bill No. 131, A bill to be entitled "An Act fixing the per diem pay and mileage of the members of the Legislature, repealing Chapter 8 of the general laws enacted by the Thirtieth Legisla | "An Act granting unto the municipal

ture and approved February 18, 1907, and declaring an emergency.

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Terrell:

Senate bill No. 132, A bill to be entitled "An Act to abolish the Eddy Independent School District, created under the general laws of the State of Texas, and to incorporate the Eddy Independent School District to be within certain boundaries at and surrounding the town of Eddy in McLennan county, Texas; investing said independent school district and the board of school trustees thereof with the rights, powers, privileges and duties of a town or village, incorporated for free school purposes only under the general laws, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Com-

mittee on Educational Affairs.

By Senator Watson:

Senate bill No. 133, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 795, Title 8, Chapter 7, of the Revised Code of Criminal Procedure of 1911 of the State of Texas, so as to provide that neither husband nor wife can testify against each other in any criminal action either during the time of coverture or after divorce, except in cases where prosecution is pending for an offense committed by one against the other, and declaring an_emergency."

Read first time and referred to Judi-

ciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator Conner:

Senate bill No. 134, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1830, Title 37, Revised Statutes 1911, by striking out exception 4, and adding in lieu thereof the following: "Where there are two or more defendants residing in different counties in which case the suit may be brought in any county where any one of the defendants reside; provided, that the transfer or assignment of any note or chose of action shall not give any subsequent holder the right to institute suit in any other county or justice precinct than the county or justice precinct in which such suit could have been prosecuted if no assignment or transfer had been made."

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator McGregor:

Senate bill No. 135, A bill to be entitled

authorities of the city of Austin, Texas, the right to establish, operate and maintain a public municipal auditorium upon the tract of land bounded on the north by Fifth street, on the south by the right of eminent domain; authoriz-Fourth street, on the east by Guadalupe ing contracts with other corporations street, and on the west by San Antonio street in the city of Austin; and changing the designation upon the map of the city of Austin of said tract, from public square to public municipal auditorium."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Public Lands and Land Office.

By Senator McGregor:

Senate bill No. 136, A bill to be entitled "An Act granting unto the municipal authorities of the city of Austin, Texas, the right to establish, operate and maintain a free public library upon a tract of land consisting of sixty-nine feet by one hundred and twenty-eight feet out of the western portion of the north half of block 101 in the city of Austin, Texas, and changing the designation upon the map of the city of Austin of said tract of land, from church to free public library purposes."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Public Lands and Land Office.

By Schator Carter:

Senate bill No. 137, A bill to be entitled "An Act defining the offense of assault with a prohibited weapon, prescribing the punishment therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

By Senator Carter:

Senate bill No. 138, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2857 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, as adopted by the Thirty-second Legislature of Texas, and adding thereto Article 2857a, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator Willacy:

Senate bill No. 139, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the purchase, construction, maintenance and operation of mittee on Mining and Irrigation. combination bridges, dams. causeways and roadways, in, over, and across any natural stream, arm of the Gulf of Mexico, or inlet thereof, or any of the salt water bays wholly within the limits of the State of Texas, for the purpose of providing a causeway, roadway or highway for vehicles, teams, second Legislature and to prescribe pedestrians, railroads, and for every what the pleadings of plaintiff and deother character of inland transmissions.

tion; authorizing the formation of corporations for said purposes with the right to charge for the use of same; establishing three mile limit and giving for the right of easement of user of portions of said structure, and authorizing corporations contracting for right of way upon or on said structure to issue and sell bonds therefor under regulation of the Railroad Commission, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

By Senator Willacy:

Senate bill No. 140, A bill to be entitled "An Act to encourage irrigation, mining, milling, manufacturing, the supplying of water to or the construction of waterworks for cities and towns stock raising, and to provide for the acquisition of the right to collect, store, conserve, preserve, make fit for use, divert and use the water of any natural stream, canyon, ravine, depression, watershed, arroya, creek arm of the Gulf of Mexico or inlets thereof, or any of the salty water bays, and authorizing the purchase, construction, maintenance and operation of bridges, dams, dikes, causeways, canals, ditches, flumes, storage and reservoirs, lakes, wells, feeders and laterals and authorizing the owning, holding, controlling and disposing of the water collected, stored, conserved, made fit for use or impounded, and to charge tolls for the use of same; authorizing the formation of corporations for said purposes; giving said corporations the right of eminent domain; authorizing the sale of the islands of the arms of the Gulf of Mexico or inlets thereof, and the salty water bays, and certain lands under and adjoining the shallow waters of the arms of the Gulf or inlets thereof and the salt water bays, and providing for the disposition of the funds arising from the said sales, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Com-

By Senator Townsend:

Senate bill No. 141, A bill to be entitled "An Act to Amend Articles 7733, 7740, 7743 and 7744 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas adopted at the Regular Session of the Thirtyother character of inland transporta- fendant in cases of trespass to try title

shall contain, and to fix a time for demanding and filing abstracts of title, and declaring an emergency.'

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator Townsend:

Senate bill No. 142, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring railroads, machine shops and other concerns, manufacturing or repairing cars within this State to provide all tracks upon which such cars are manufactured or repaired, to be provided with derailing devices, providing penalties for violations thereof, and fixing the time for this act to become effective, and declaring an emergency.'

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

By Senator Bailey:

Senate bill No. 143, A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 608, Chapter 4. Title 7. of the Code of Criminal Procedure, relating to application for a continuance by defendant, and to repeal Article 609, Chapter 4, Title 7, Code of Criminal Procedure, relating to subsequent application by defendant for a continuance, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator Mucray, by request:

Senate bill No. 144, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Fish and Oyster Commission of Texas, and providing for five commissioners to be known as Fish and Oyster Commissioners, and defining the powers and duties of said Fish and Oyster Commission, and of said commissioners, and fixing their compensation and providing for one of their number to be president of said commission, and defining his powers and duties, and fixing his compensation, and providing for one of their number as a vice president; providing for a secretary of said commission who shall also be treasurer, to be chosen by said Fish and Oyster Commission, repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency.'

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator Conner:

Senate bill No. 145, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7057 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1911, as to the salary of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and daries.

the Court of Criminal Appeals, and the several justices thereof."

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator McGregor:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 6, Proposing an amendment to Section 10 of Article 8 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to taxation.

Read first time and referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Morning call concluded.

(By unanimous consent after the conclusion of the morning call.)

By Senators Nugent and Collins:

Senate bill No. 146, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend an act of the Thirtysecond Legislature entitled 'An Act to amend Article 21, Title 4 of the Revised Civil Statutes, and to amend an act passed by the Thirtieth Legislature creating the Sixth Supreme Judicial District of Texas, and to create the Seventh and Eighth Supreme Judicial Districts of Texas, and to create the Ninth Supreme Judicial District of Texas, and to provide for the organization of a Court of Civil Appeals within the Ninth Supreme Judicial District of Texas, and to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency.'

Read first time and referred to Committee on Judicial Districts.

By Senator Collins:

Senate bill No. 147, A bill to be entitled "An Act appropriating the sum of five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, out of the general revenue, not otherwise appropriated to pay the expense of a survey of the King's Highway and erecting suitable monuments to mark the same, and providing a penalty for destruction or defacement of such monuments.

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Johnson:

Senate bill No. 148, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1361, Chapter 2, Title 28, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, so as to allow an unorganized or disorganized county to be organized or reorganized, by petition signed by not less than fifty qualified voters residing in such county, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Counties and County Boun-

By Senators Watson and Bailey:

Senate bill No. 149, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7059, Chapter 3, Title 120 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, fixing the salaries of District Judges so as to provide that District Judges shall receive the sum of five thousand dollars per year, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator Watson:

Senate bill No. 150, A bill to be entitled "An Act fixing the salaries of the Judges of the Supreme Court and Court of Criminal Appeals and the Court of Civil Appeals in the State, and declaring an emergency.'

Read first time and referred to Judi-

ciary Committee No. 1.

By Senators McNealus and Hudspeth: Senate Joint Resolution No. 7, To amend Section 51 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, so as to authorize the grant of aid to indigent and disabled Confederate Soldiers and Sailors and their widows, and to soldiers who served in the militia and in organizations for the protection of the frontier and their indigent widows, and making appropriations for same.

Read first time and referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Senators Vaughan, Collins, Westbrook, Townsend, McGregor and Taylor:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 8, To amend Section 1 of Article the Constitution of the State Texas, so as to give to the people, or reserve to them, the power to propose laws and to enact or reject the same at the polls, and to approve or reject at the polls any act of the Legislature.

Read first time and referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

SIMPLE RESOLUTION.

By Senator Willacy:

Whereas, The Senate has by resolution provided for a committee to visit the coast and make an inspection and investigation of the fish and oyster industry, and

Whereas, parties interested in the fish and oyster industry of this State desire to appear before committee in order to explain how their said industry may be affected by Senate bill No. 48, and

been reported out of Judiciary Committee No. 1, therefore, be it

Resolved, That said Senate bill No. 48, be recommitted to said Judiciary Committee No. 1, in order that petition and discussion by interested parties may be heard.

> WILLACY. MURRAY. KAUFFMAN.

The resolution was read and adopted.

SENATE BILL NO. 23.

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading and regular order

Senate bill No. 23, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend the Revised Penal Code of the State of Texas of 1911, being Chapter 8, Title 11, by adding thereto Article 622a, making it a misdemeanor for any minor to enter or remain in any saloon or place where intoxicating liquors are sold or to purchase any infoxicating liquors, and fixing the punishment therefor, and declaring an emergency."

The bill was read, and Senator Watson offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill by adding a new section to be known as Section 1a, to read as follows: "Section Ia. Any court, officer, or tribunal having jurisdiction of the above offense, or any district or county attorney, may subpoena persons and compel their attendance as witnesses to testify as to any violation of any of the provisions of the foregoing article. Any person so summoned and examined shall not be liable to prosecution for any violation of said article about which he may testify."

Pending.

Senator Townsend offered the following substitute for the amendment by Senator Watson:

Substitute for the amendment: Amend the bill on page one, line twenty-one, by adding after the word "dollars" the following:

"Provided, that any such minor who shall give any information to any peace officer of the county of his residence or to the Comptroller of the State of Texas to the effect that he entered or remained in any saloon or house or place where intoxicating liquors are sold, or that he purchased intoxicating liquors therein, which may lead to the prosecution of said saloon keeper for the Whereas, said Senate bill No. 48 has violation of the liquor laws pertaining to such minor, or to proceedings by the Comptroller of the State of Texas to cancel the license of such saloon keeper, shall not be prosecuted under the provisions of this act; and, provided further, that such minor's testimony shall not be required to be corroborated by other testimony than his own to make same admissible testimony in criminal proceedings against any such saloon keeper for violation of the criminal laws of this State pertaining to minors entering and remaining in saloons or purchasing intoxicating liquor therein." Pending.

SPECIAL ORDER.-SIMPLE RESO-LUTION.

Here, 11 o'clock a. m., Senator Lattimore called for the consideration the special order for this hour, the same being the following resolution:

Whereas, The economical and careful administration of our penitentiary system is of great importance to the people of our State; and,

Whereas, It was publicly proclaimed that at the end of the term of office of Governor Campbell the penitentiary system was out of debt and well equipped;

Whereas, It is stated in the message of the Governor that the debt of this system is now one million dollars and more; and,

Whereas, The Legislature is being asked to enact a bill that will permit the issuance of penitentiary bonds in the sum of three million dollars; and,

Whereas, Other departments of our State Government are asking legislation at our hands, which may be affected by the past conduct and present needs of those departments; therefore be it,

Resolved, By the Senate of the State of Texas, that a committee of five Senators be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor of Texas, to investigate and report back to the Senate the financial situation of the penitentiary system of Texas and the needs of the same; the debts of said system and the cause of the same, together with any other matters pertaining to the penitentiary system and its management which said committee may deem to be of aid and assistance to the Legislature in the passage of suitable laws to meet the requirements of said system.

thorized to investigate any department poned until Wednesday morning, Januof this State Government of which com- ary 29, and be made a special order

plaint worthy of consideration in the judgment of said committee, may be made, and report same back to this Senate to the end that suitable legislation may be had in reference to such department.

That said committee and its several members shall have all the powers given by the provisions of Chapter 3, Title 82, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, and that its procedure shall be governed by and in accordance with the provisions of the various articles of said chapter as they may be applicable thereto.

That said committee be instructed to perform its duties and report back to this Senate at the earliest practicable

Senator Lattimore offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend simple resolution: Said committee shall be authorized to visit and inspect any of the farms, buildings or properties of the State penitentiary system, or any other institution or department under investigation, and shall have access to all books, papers, accounts or any other records or documents of such institution, property or department, and shall have power to call before it any person supposed or believed by any member of said committee, to be in pos-session of evidence desired by such committee, and to issue any necessary subpoena or subpoena duces tecum, commanding the presence of such witness and the production of any such books, papers, records or documents, which process shall be executed by the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, or assistant, or any Sherist or constable of this State, such Sherist or constable to receive therefor the same pay as for process issued out of the office of the District Clerk, and such witnesses shall be paid the same fees and mileage as in cases in the District Court; said committee to be authorized to employ a stenographer, if necessary, who shall act as clerk of said committee, and be paid the same salary as other stenographers of the Senate. The actual expenses of the said committee, its employes-witnesses and process—to be paid out of the contingent funds of the Senate, upon warrants approved by the chairman of said committee and the proper officers of the Senate.

Pending.

Senator Lattimore moved that further Further, that said committee be au- consideration of the resolution be postafter the conclusion of the morning call of that day.

Senator Brelsford moved as a substitute that the resolution lie on the table subject to call.

Pending.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Senator Watson the Senate, at 12:40 o'clock, p. m., adjourned until 10 o'clock Monday morning, January 27.

APPENDIX.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Senator Terrell:

Petition signed by committee representing Local No. 130 of the M. G. W. of A., requesting passage of bill requiring convict or prison-made goods to be labeled as "Convict-Made."

By Senator McNealus:

The following notification:

Dallas, Texas, January 23, 1913.

Hon. J. C. McNealus, Austin, Texas.

This organization has Sir: adopted resolutions favoring Sunday amusement. Therefore we ask you to oppose Senate bill No. 39, by Lattimore, as long as it contains provisions against Sunday amusements, and ask you to support and lend your aid to House bill No. 17, by Parks.

Thanking you in advance for the favor, we remain, Respectfully yours, W. E. KENNAMER,

Sec'y. Local 249, I. A. T. S. E.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, January 24, 1913. Hon. Will H. Mayes, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 79, A bill to be entitled

"An Act to amend Section 10, Chapter 23, of the General Laws of the First Called Session of the Thirtieth Legislature, so as to extend the time within which and prescribe the conditions upon which domestic and foreign corporations which are now in default in payment of franchise taxes and penalties may pay same and have their right to do busi- practice of optometry, to create a board

time during which corporations embraced within the terms of said act may pay to the Secretary of State franchise taxes and penalties referred to in said act, and have their rights to do business revived; and providing for forfeiture of the charters of such domestic corporations as may fail so to do, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WILLACY, Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, January 24, 1913.

Hon, Will H. Mayes, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 101, A bill to be entitled "An Act to appropriate the sum of \$100,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary to provide funds for the operation of the penitentiary system, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommend-

ation that it do pass.

WILLACY, Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, January 24, 1913.

Hon, Will H. Mayes, President of the Senate.

Your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 29, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway Co., of Texas, to lease for a term of not less than twenty-five years the railroad of the Texas Central and certain other short lines within this State,'

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

KAUFFMAN, Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, January 23, 1913.

Hon. Will H. Mayes, President of the Senate.

Your Committee on Public Sir: Health, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 17, A bill to be entitled "An Act to define and regulate the ness revived, by extending until the of examiners in optometry for the exfirst day of September, A. D. 1913, the amining and licensing of optometrists

and to issue the certificates as provided; to prescribe the qualifications of applicants for license in optometry; to provide for the registration of optometrists and to provide for the revocation of their license, and to require them to display license or certificates, and when practicing said profession outside of or away from principal office to deliver to each customer a bill of purchase or sale, specification of lenses and material furnished, and price charged for same; and to fix suitable penalties for the violation of this act, and repealing all laws in conflict herewith." it was ordered that the following amendments be adopted:

Amend Section 8, by adding thereto the following: "Nothing in this act shall be construed to exclude regular licensed medical practitioners who have qualified under the laws of this State."

And further amending by striking from the bill the words "District Clerk" wherever they shall appear, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "County Clerk,"

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass with the amendments above set out.

KAUFFMAN, Chairman.

FLOOR REPORTS.

Austin, Texas, January 24, 1913. Hon, Will H. Mayes, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 104, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating an Independent School District to be known as Callallen Independent School District, and to provide for the creation of a board of trustees thereof and authorizing the board of trustees to levy, assess and collect special taxes, and conferring upon the board of trustees plenary powers and providing authority to issue bonds for the purpose of purchasing school sites and erecting, furnishing and equipping school buildings within the same, and to levy a tax therefor, and to pay current expenses for the maintenance and support of said schools, providing for a board of equalization and prescribing the duty and authority of said board and further prescribing the duty and authority of said board of

Have had the same under consideration and beg to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass and not be printed.

Paulus, Chairman; Cowell, Gibson,

Wiley, Johnson.

Austin, Texas, January 23, 1913. Hon. Will H. Mayes, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 103, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating an independent school district to be known as Driscoll Indepentent School District, and to provide for the creation of a board of trustees thereof and authorizing the board of trustees to levy, assess and collect special taxes, and conferring upon the board of trustees plenary powers and providing authority to issue bonds for the purpose of purchasing school sites and erecting, furnishing and equipping school buildings within the same, and to levy a tax therefor, and to pay current expenses for the maintenance and support of said schools, providing for a board of equalization and prescribing the duty and authority of said board, and further prescribing the duty and authority of said board of trustees, and repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency,

Have had the same under consideration and beg to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and not be printed.

Paulus, Chairman; Cowell, Gibson, Wiley, Johnson.

Austin, Texas, January 23, 1913. Hon. Will H. Mayes, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 102, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating an independent school district to be known as Bishop Independent School District, including within its limits the municipal corporation of the town of Bishop, and to provide for the creation of a board of trustees thereof and authorizing the board of trustees to levy, assess and collect special taxes, and conferring upon the board of trustees plenary powers and providing authority to issue bonds for the purpose of purchasing school sites and erecting, furnishing and equipping school buildings within the same, and to levy a tax therefor, and to pay curtrustees and repealing all laws in conflict rent expenses for the maintenance and herewith, and declaring an emergency," support of said schools, providing for a board of equalization and prescribing the quested to keep the lights on in the Senduty and authority of said board, and further prescribing the duty and authority of said board of trustees, and repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency,'

Have had the same under consideration and beg to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and not be printed.

Paulus, Chairman; Cowell, Gibson, Wiley, Johnson.

TENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber, Austin, Texas, Monday, January 27, 1913.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Will H. Mayes.

Roll call, a quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Morrow. Astin. Bailey. Murray. Carter. Nugent. Paulus. Collins. Real. Conner. Cowell. Taylor. Darwin. Terrell. Townsend. Gibson. Greer. Vaughan. Hudspeth. Warren. Johnson. Watson. Kauffman. Weinert. Westbrook. Lattimore. Wiley. McGregor.

Absent.

Brelsford.

McNealus.

Willacy.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. H. M.

Pending the reading of the Journal of Friday, on motion of Senator Terrell. the same was dispensed with.

(See Appendix for petitions and memorials and standing committee reports.)

SIMPLE RESOLUTION.

(By Unanimous Consent.)

By Senator Kauffman:

Whereas, The Senate of Texas prefers light to darkness; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds be re- of the special committee.

ate Chamber until 12 o'clock every night. HUDSPĚTH,

KAUFFMAN.

The resolution was read and adopted.

SIMPLE RESOLUTION.

(By Unanimous Consent.)

By Senator Carter:

Whereas, Hon. John L. Ratliff of Delta county, a former member of this body, is in the city; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we invite him to address the Senate on any matter of his own choice and accord to him the privileges of the floor.

> DARWIN, CARTER, LATTIMORE, WATSON.

The resolution was read and adopted. The Chair appointed Senators Carter, Greer and McNealus as a committee to present ex-Senator Ratliff to the President's stand.

SIMPLE RESOLUTION.

(By Unanimous Consent.)

By Senator McNealus:

Resolved, That the privileges of the Senate Chamber be extended to Mayor W. M. Holland and the four municipal commissioners of Dallas; also to Mayor Davis and municipal commissioners of Fort Worth; also to ex-State Senators Harbison, Ratliff and Gough, and that they be invited to address the Senate.

The resolution was read and adopted.

SIMPLE RESOLUTION.

(By Unanimous Consent.)

By Senator Lattimore:

Resolved, That the committee appointed by the Senate to investigate the affairs of the Attorney General's Department for five years next preceding January 1, 1913, be increased by the addition of two members of the Senate. to be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor.

The resolution was read and adopted. In accordance with the above resolution the Chair, Lieutenant Governor Mayes, appointed Senators Lattimore and Townsend as the additional members